VEPCO Becomes Half-Billion Dollar Co. With Expansions

Virginia Electric and Power Company has become a one-half billion dollar company, according to Vepco Treasurer S. E. Ratcliffe.

Ratcliffe said Vepco passed the $500,000,000 figure recently in the course of spending $50,000,000 on the company's construction program this year.

He said the company expects to spend a record total of $70,000,000 next year in its expansion program to keep pace with electrical demands of its present and future customers.

The treasurer said soaring demands for electricity in the postwar years have made it necessary to more than triple the value of plant investments during that time. He cited some of the causes as the climbing use of electricity for air-conditioning, cooking, water heating, home heating, television, industrial and commercial loads.

Also, during the past ten years, nearly 300,000 new electric customers and 31,000 new gas customers (in the Norfolk and Newport News area) have boosted the customer total to 680,000 electric and 87,000 gas services.

Vepco, Ratcliffe said, will have spent by the end of this year more than $426,000,000 dollars in the past ten years on new construction. In order to finance this huge construction program, it has been necessary to sell substantial amounts of securities. Ratcliffe pointed out that more than $290,000,000 had been obtained from the sale of bonds and preferred and common stocks since 1947.

The company's generating capacity has also been nearly tripled since 1947. At the end of that year, Vepco had a capability of 459,000 kilowats. It is now capable of producing 1,361,900 kilowats.

During this period of phenomenal growth, the utility spokesman said, nine steam generating units have been constructed on the company system. They consist of two at Chesterfield, two at Portsmouth, three at Possum Point near Quantico, and one each at Reeves Avenue station in Norfolk and Bremo Bluff, southeast of Charlottesville.

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Home Agent's Notes

Prepared by
Elizabeth W. Pancake, Asst. Home Agent

Acetate is known as the beauty fiber because it absorbs dyes well and has a rich feel and a silk-like look. It has a built-in resilience that resists wrinkling and a slight crispness that contributes a luxury hand and excellent draping quality to any fabric in which is is used. Acetate is used in luxury fabrics such as satin, faille, taffetas, and sharkskin as well as for tricot both in lingerie and sheets. Color fastness was once a problem with acetate, but now a great deal of acetate is solution dyed, that is, the dye is locked in when it is still in a liquid form. Although acetate dries quickly, it is affected by too much heat, so care must be exercised in ironing of fabrics containing acetate.

Low Calorie Peanuts

That tempting first peanut (the one that always leads to another) may one day be made less threatening to the waistlines of calorie-conscious eaters.

U. S. Department of Agriculture research has shown that a solvent-bath process can remove oil from peanuts without changing their physical appearance.

Oil makes up about 50 per cent of the peanut by weight. An ordinary 15- to 17- nut handful of peanuts contains about 84 calories. The same quantity of de-oiled nuts has 80 per cent less energy value —about 17 calories.

Removal of the oil does not destroy the high protein value of planuts. The de-oiled nuts have a firm crisp texture. They are slightly lighter in color and considerably milder and sweeter than ordinary peanuts. Both color and flavor can be enhanced by roasting the nuts after the oil has been removed.

It's too early to look for low-calorie peanuts on your grocer's shelves. Some factors, such as the cost of processing on a commercial scale, are still unknown. But it seems probable that soon even a weight-watcher will be able to enjoy peanuts with a clear conscience.

Tree Nut Crops

Whether you'll be using nuts in the shell as part of the Thanksgiving dinner-table centerpiece or shelled and salted nuts as part of that menu, there should be good supplies of several favorites to choose from, according to the latest crop report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Total production of the four important tree nuts is estimated ar-[illegible] percent larger than last year, but there are fewer walnuts and an extremely light crop of filberts — only a third of last year's crop. Present estimate of production are: Pecans, 80,000 tons; walnuts, 73,000 tons; almonds, 48,000 tons; filberts, 2,900 tons. Of the nuts that are shelled, many go to confectioners, bakers and ice cream manufacturers. Many also sell in packages in retail stores.

Beef Leaflet Issued

One of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's popular publications, a 6-page leaflet which describes U. S. grades of beef and shows various beef cuts and suggested cooking methods, has been brought up to date in a new edition.

Creation this year of the grade, USDA Standard, made it necessary to revise the publication and incorporate information on the new U. S. grade.

The leaflet's "suggested cooking guide" has been revised, also, to include appropriate cooking methods for U. S. Standard grade beef cuts. This "cooking guide" chart is unique in that it suggests cooking methods for each combination of U. S. grade and cut.

Other changes in the leaflet include addition of three illustrations of postage stamps used on veal and calf and the "acceptance stamp" used when USDA meat graders assist in filling specifications for large quantities of meat.

The new Federal beef grade is described as a very thin covering of fat and appealing to consumers whose primary concern is a high proportion of lean.

"When properly prepared, such beef is usually relatively tender. It is mild in flavor and lacks the juiciness usually found in beef with more marbling," the leaflet states.

Single copies of the publication, "U. S. Grades for Beef" (Leaflet 310) may be obtained free from the Office of Information, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

BRAVE BURGLARS

Guthrie, Okla.- Not only did burglars, who cracked the safe of a supermarket here, brave two vials of tear gas attached to the safe that went off, but they did their work right in the front window of the store, where anyone walking by could see them. They got several hundred dollars from the safe.

Around Your Home

By Frances Dell

There are many ways to use the colorful daffodil in your garden. It is easy to grow and will add a wealth of color and cheerfulness to any outdoor picture.

While yellow is the most common color associated with the daffodil, the variations found in the bulbs range from white in various degrees of purity, to shades of orange, red, rose, pink, salmon, buff and green.

The bulbs are most effective when grown in groups of three, six or more bulbs of a single variety. They are perfect for spacing at in regular intervals among shrubs and in borders.

In large areas, they are attractive when planted in unevenly spaced drifts of twenty-five or more of one kind. Only daffodils grown for cutting, exhibiting or hybridizing should be planted in rows.

Because the bulbs are fairly large, they must be planted from four to six inches deep. They will do well in most soils but require plenty of moisture and good drainage. Fertilizers must never come into direct contact with the bulbs.

If a high quality flower is desired, bulbs should be dug and replanted every two or three years. They multiply rapidly and get crowded.

The daffodil season begins early and lasts for six weeks in most areas. By carefully selecting bulbs, a gardener can have bloom that bloom at different times during the season.

In addition, to growing bulbs outside, a few bulbs can be grown for early indoor bloom. These should be brought along in a greenhouse or cold frame and forcing is used.

A good potting mixture consists of two parts loam and one part peat and sand. Then bulbs are grown in each pot.

The Japanese are disturbed by a sharp decline in exports.

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NOTICE

To Taxpayers'of Appomattox County

Tax bills for 1956 have been mailed. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve a taxpayer of charges that will accrue under the law for failure to pay on or before December 5th. If you have not received your bill, please notify your County Treasurer.

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Special Notice to Town of Appomattox Citizens

Be sure to pay your State Capitation tax by December 5th to be eligible to vote in the 1956 Town of Appomattox Election.

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Colonial Oyster Stew

milk
spoons butter
oysters
cracker crumbs
spoon Worcestershire sauce
and pepper

milk in a double boiler to a boil, add butter, and cracker crumbs. Sea- nuts with salt and pepper, estershire sauce. Cook for ngs until the edges of the begin to curl. Serve hot per crackers.

ster Stew Manhattan

spoon butter
and onions peeled and sliced
oysters
grated cheese
condensed tomato soup
milk
bread

butter, cook onions in it olden brown. Add oysters, milk and cook over a until mixture is hot, but ing. Pour into a deep on top of the soup, place from which the crusts have moved, and the bread cut in t. Sprinkle with grated and set under the flame in

Broiled Oysters on Toast

Oysters
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
Pepper

Select large oysters, place on toast. Melt butter, add salt and pepper and Worcestershire sauce. Pour over oysters. Bake in an oven 350 degrees and cook until oysters have curled.

Creole Oyster Gumbo

2 dozen oysters
1 pint oyster liquor
1 tablespoon butter
1 pint hot water
1 tablespoon flour
Parsley, thyme, and a bay leaf
1 white onion
Salt and pepper

Put the butter into a kettle and when hot add flour. When brown, add chopped onion and parsley. Fry these brown and then add the chopped bay leaf; pour into hot oyster liquor. Add hot water. When it comes to boil, add the drained oysters. Cook 3 minutes; take off stove. Serve at once over hot boiled rice.

Fried Oysters

2 dozen large oysters
2 eggs
Fine bread crumbs
Seasoning

Wipe each oyster dry and sprinkle with salt. Beat the eggs just enough to mix. Dip oysters into the egg then drop each oyster in the bread crumbs, which should be spread on a plate. When coated with crumbs dry in deep fat. Drain on paper, and serve with:

Tyrolliene Sauce

1-2 tablespoon chopped parsley
1-2 tablespoon chopper capers
1-2 tablespoon chopped gherkins
1-2 cup chili sauce
1 cup mayonnaise

Add ingredients together and mix well.

Panned Oysters

1 quart oysters
4 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons finely grated onion
1 teaspoon parsley chopped
Paprika and pepper
1cup top milk or thin cream
Toast

Drain the oysters in a colander, removing all juice. Place the butter in a frying pan and let it melt. Add the grated onion, oysters, salt, pepper and paprika. Cook for 5 minutes or until edges of oysters curl. Add the cream and parsley and serve immediately on toast.

FILM TEACHES LESSON

Fayetteville, N. C.- After seeing a cowboy film at a local movie house, a 21-year-old escaped convict surrendered to police. He said the movie convinced him that crime does not pay.

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Schedule Of 4-H Meetings

Schedule of 4-H Club meetings for November:

Thursday, Nov. 8.- Appomattox 4th grade, Miss Burkey: 9:00 A. M.

Thursday, Nov. 8, Appomattox 4th grade, Mrs. Martin: 9:40 A. M.

Thursday, Nov. 8., Appomattox 6th grade, Mrs. Furbush: 9:20 A. M.

Thursday, Nov. 8, Appomattox 6th grade, Mrs. Wilkins: 10:20 A. M.

Thursday, Nov. 8, Appomattox 6th grade, Mrs. Evans: 11:20 A. M.

Friday, Nov. 9, Pamplin 4th grade, Mrs. Brightwell, 9:00 A. M.

Friday, Nov. 9, Pamplin, 7th grade, Mr. Smith, 9:00 A. M.

Friday, Nov. 9, Pamplin, 5th grade, Mrs. Webb: 9:40 A. M.

Friday, Nov. 9, Pamplin, 6th grade: Mrs. Marvey: 10:50 A. M.

Monday, Nov. 12, Vera School, 9:00 A. M.

Monday, Nov. 12, Oakville School, 10:40 A. M.

Monday, Nov. 12, Evergreen, School, 1:00 P. M.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, Eighth Grade, Section III, 8:45 A. M.

Section I: 9:30 A. M.

Section II: 10:35 A. M.

Section IV: 1:20 P. M.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, Appomattox 7th grade, Mrs. Hesson: 11:30 A. M.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, Spout Spring School, 9:00 A. M.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, Appomattox 5th grade, Mrs. Parris, 12:30 P. M.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, Appomattox, 5th grade, Mrs. Cunninghamm: 1:20 P. M.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, Appomattox 7th grade, Mrs. Carson, 2:10 P. M.

DON'T PUSH, GIRLS!

Nashville, Tenn.- College students, of the female gender, will probably be interested in a recent announcement by Vice Chancellor Madison Sarrett, of Vanderbilt University, who, after stating that the university now has three male students for each coed, said, "It won't be long until we can promise every girl who comes to Vanderbilt not only a diploma — but a husband."

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GLENDALE 4-H CLUB NEWS

The Glendale 4-H Club met Friday night, Nov. 2, at 7:30 P. M., at the Sherwell Community house. Betty Rae Nash, president, presided over the business meeting, with members deciding on the projects they were going to take.

Miss Elizabeth Pancacke, Assistant County Home Agent, gave an interesting demonstration on driveways and parking spaces around the home.

Mrs. B .G. Anderson gave a brief talk on "How Does your Mail Box Rate?"

The following members were present: Misses Barbara Holt, Betty Rae Nash, Mamie Painter, Barbara Tucker, Sue Tucker, Mildred Nash, Mr. Norman Booth, Sherman Moses, Herman Nash Jr., T. C. Torrence, Charles, Herbert and Eugene Shirey, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Pancacke. The following mothers and fathers were present: Mrs. Evelyn Torrence, and small daughter, Nevell; Mrs. Gladys Tucker, Mrs. Nancy Nash, Mrs. Roy Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Shirey and small son, James. Delicious refreshments were served by the host, T. C. Torrence, and were enjoyed by all.

—Reporter: Barbara Tucker.

BOW HUNTING ENJOYS INCREASING POPULARITY IN STATE

On November 1st, the bow hunters of Virginia took to the deer country and will spend the first ten days of the month, Sundays excepted, in an attempt to find their proper targets.

According to Webb Midyette, chief of the law enforcement division of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, the bow hunting population in the Old Dominion has grown by leaps and bounds during the past few years.

The state forests will be open from November 1 through November 10 for the early bow and arrow season this year (for deer only), and permits good in all three forests can be obtained at the residence of forest ranger J. .C. Hayes, who lives on the Cumberland forest. The forests will also be open during the general hunting season from November 19 through December 1, inclusive. All game species on the area may be hunted except turkeys; however, bearded gobblers may be taken on November 26, 27, and 28. Also, deer may not be hunted with dogs from November 26 through December 1, inclusive.

NAVY RECRUITING ANNOUNCEMENT

High school seniors and graduates have only until November 17 to apply for the Navy's Reserve Officer Training Corps. Applicants will take the nationwide competitive examination on December 8, as the first step toward an appointment as midshipmen.

Designed to supplement the officer output of the Naval Academy, the NRCTC program makes it possible for a young man to earn a commission while studying at the civilian college of his choice which has an NROTC unit. All tuition fees and books are furnished by the Navy, and the student receives an annual retainer of $600 for four years. During the summer the student goes on fascinating training cruises to many parts of the world. After completing the usual four year course, he is commissioned in the regular Navy or Marine Corps and goes on active duty with the Navy's far-flung fleets.

High school seniors and graduates between the ages of 17 and 21 may apply for the NROTC aptitude test. Those who make a qualifying score will be given a rigid physical exam early in 1957. From the pool of qualified young men remaining in competition, approximately 2,000 will be selected to begin their naval careers next September.

The NROTC college training program is also open to enlisted men on active duty with the Navy and Marines. Separate quotas are established for applicants from within these services.

Application forms are available at all high schools, colleges, Navy Recruiting Stations or from the Chief of Naval Personnel, Washington 25, D. C.

GEESE APPEAR IN OLD DOMINION

While a great many geese, commonly referred to as Canadian honkers, have reached Virginia in large numbers, relatively few ducks have paid their annual visit.

C. F. Phelps, chief of the game division of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, says he does not expect many ducks until we have some cold weather. "It takes a few hard freezes to the north of us to bring the ducks down to their accustomed wintering ground," he stated.

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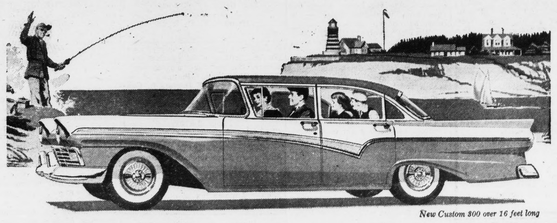

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